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NOTES ON THE BIRDS OF THE BABOQUIVARI MOUNTAINS

During the Months of June and July.

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WHILE on an entomological collecting trip with Doctor Snow last summer, through his kindness I was permitted to make a collection of bird skins from this locality.

The Baboquivari range is located sixty miles south of Tucson, Ariz. It is about forty miles long and ten miles wide, and extends in a southwesterly direction, the highest point being Baboquivari Peak. It is 10,000 feet above sea-level. The rest of the range is low, and has an elevation of about 5000 feet.

We were camped in a canyon which fairly teemed with insect life. The canyon was well covered with vegetation, and many flowering trees and shrubs, although water was very scarce.

RAPTORES.

1. *Aquila chrysaetos*. Golden Eagle.

Several eagles were seen soaring above the canyon, and near the summit of the range.

2. *Buteo albicaudatus*. Sennett's White-tailed Buzzard.

This buzzard was seen frequently on the lower part of the range.

3. *Buteo abbreviatus*. Zone-tailed Hawk.

Rather common at the mouth of the canyon. A Mexican vaquero brought one to me alive. In crossing the desert early in the morning he had seen the hawk sleeping on a mesquit tree and had caught him alive.

4. *Accipiter cooperi*. Cooper's Hawk.

Frequently seen in the canyons. One nest was found, the young being full-grown.

5. *Falco spaverinus deserticola*. Desert Sparrow Hawk.

They were common on the edge of the canyons, and usually were found near the large tree cactus. They were breeding in holes in these.

6. *Megascops cineraceus*.

They were common; collected several alive by placing an insect net over their hole in oak trees and then hammering on the trees.

7. *Micropallas whitneyi*. Elf Owl.

They were common. Would light in trees around the camp, and make their sharp little cry.

8. *Bubo virginianus pacificus*. Western Horned Owl.

Saw two in the canyon.

9. *Symium occidentalis*. Spotted Owl.

Saw three specimens in the canyon. They were quite tame.

10. *Lophortys gambeli*. Gambel's Partridge.
This partridge was very common in the canyons. There were coveys in sight of the camp at about every hour of the day.
11. *Zenaidura macrura*. Mourning Dove.
A few were seen.
12. *Melopelia leucoptera*. White-winged Dove.
They were very common in the canyons. They have a peculiar soft note which reminds one of an owl's call.
13. *Geococcyx californicus*. Road-runner, or corn camino, as the Mexicans call them.
They were very common and very curious. Often when sitting down they would come within six feet of me.
14. *Coccygus americanus occidentalis*. California Cuckoo.
Saw two.
15. *Dryobates scalaris bandi*. Texas Woodpecker.
Secured only one specimen—saw two.
16. *Centurus uropygialis*. Gila Woodpecker.
Were very scarce. Saw a few around the cacti.
17. *Aeronautes saxatilis*. White-throated Rock Swift.
These were seen in large flocks up at the heads of the large canyons, where there were large, rocky cliffs.
18. *Tyrannus verticalis*. Arkansas King Bird.
Were seen often, but were not as plentiful as some of the smaller species.
19. *Pyrocephalus rubinus mexicanus*. Vermilion Flycatcher.
These little beauties were very common in the canyons. They were active and could be seen at all hours of the day catching insects in the trees and up over the mesquite trees.
20. *Myriarchus cinerascens*. Ash-throated Flycatcher.
Often seen.
21. *Myriarchus mexicana magister*. Arizona Flycatcher.
Shot three specimens.
22. *Myriarchus mexicanus*. Mexican Crested Flycatcher.
Took one specimen.
23. *Aphelocoma sieberi arizona*. Arizona Pay.
Were seen at rare intervals at the heads of the deeper canyons; were not plentiful.
24. *Corvus corax sumatus*. Raven.
Were common.
25. *Lecterus cucullatus*. Hooded Oriole.
Collected one pair; were not common.
26. *Papilo fuscusmesolencus*. Canyon Towhee.
Common on the mesquit.
27. *Cardinalis superbus*. Arizona Cardinal.
Often seen; secured one pair.
28. *Amphispiza bilineata desertuda*. Desert Black-throated Finch.
The Fringillidæ were conspicuous by their absence. The above species and the one mentioned below were the only ones noted. Saw only one pair of the Black-throated sparrow. They were at the mouth of a canyon. Secured the male.

29. *Carpodacus cassinii*. Cassinus Finch.
Were rather common in the canyon.
30. *Laureus ludovicianus excubitorides*. White-rumped Shrike.
Secured one specimen; were not common.
31. *Virio bellipusillus*. Least Greenlet.
Common in the canyons.
32. *Auoparus flaviceps*. Gold Tit.
Secured the only specimen seen.
33. *Lophophaneus wollwecheri*. Bridled Titmouse.
Saw a small number up on the side of a mountain in oak-grown canyon. Judged them to be young ones.
34. *Polioptila cœrulia obscura*. Western Blue-gray Gnat Catcher.
Were fairly common in the canyons.
35. *Catherpes mexicanus conspersus*. Speckled Canyon Wren.
Secured one specimen on cabin roof. It was the only one seen.
36. *Oroscoptes montanus*. Sage Thrasher.
Were common on the lower parts of the mountains.
37. *Mimus polyglottus*. Mocking-bird.
Were common in the canyons.